

Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

A Division of the



Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Clay

LCC: Local Coordinating Council of Clay County

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Plan Summary

Mission Statement: The mission of the Clay County Local Coordinating Council is to reduce the incidence, prevalence, costs and consequences of alcohol and other drug use and abuse in Clay County through the coordinating, support and promotion of county-wide education and prevention, intervention and treatment, and criminal law enforcement efforts.

History: The Clay County LCC began in 1990 when meetings were held with community leaders, judges and the prosecutor's office. From these meetings a task force was formed and letters were sent to 150 individuals, asking for recommendations of those who would best serve the LCC. As a result, 54 people were invited to attend a meeting where goals and objectives were formed. A newspaper notice also invited the general public.

The first official LCC meeting was held in February of 1991 with representatives from all 13 categories present with the exception of the judiciary and medical fields. The group continued to meet regularly in 1991. The LCC continues to meet on a monthly basis with the exception of July.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan: The Clay County Comprehensive Plan reflects our LCC's emphasis on combating the methamphetamine epidemic in our community, while at the same time addressing the other ATOD issues in the county that continue to exist. The LCC has been able to collaborate with some new entities in working to achieve their goals, such as the St. Vincent Clay Hospital, Indiana State University and other surrounding county LCC's. The need for a stronger collaborative effort within our county remains and is represented in our #1 Problem Statement of needing a community needs assessment and data collection. If this problem were tackled and the achieved, several county entities would benefit with the county population that we all serve, benefiting the most. The departure of several leaders to work for the new state government last year still affects our coalition structure.

Despite the challenges, our LCC has celebrated great accomplishments as well. We continue to target the community with educational and preventative programs in an attempt to raise community awareness. We continue to work closely with the school corporation to help with the training needs of the staff as well as providing programming for the students. We have begun dialog with Indiana State University, which is in our "own backyard" and offers a wealth of resources. A recent collaborative effort with the St. Vincent-Clay Hospital was a great success and promises new and exciting efforts between our agencies to address our communities issues. Because of these new collaborations, the Clay County LCC and other local agencies have the opportunity to work together to make our county a better place to live.

Membership List

County LCC Name: Local Coordinating Council of Clay County

Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
Chris Carter	IN State Police	C	M	Law Enforcement
Lisa Metz	Superior Court	C	F	Judiciary
Jamie Ringo	Community Corrections	C	F	Judiciary
Steve Sutherland		C	M	Treatment
Jane Jackson	Clay City SADD	C	F	Education
Susie Hayes	Clay County Sheriff's Dept.	C	F	Law Enforcement
Judge Blaine Akers	Superior Court	C	M	Judiciary
Kelsey White	Clay Co. Probation	C	F	Judiciary
Steve Bell	Brazil Trustee	C	M	Judiciary
Susan Evans	Hamilton Center	C	F	Treatment
Kathy Knust	Clay Community Schools	C	F	Education
Carol Parkins	Hamilton Center	C	F	Treatment
Kathy O'Campo	Hamilton Center	C	M	Treatment
Deborah Allen	Northview H.S. SADD	C	F	Education
Andy Whittington	Brazil Police Dept.	C	M	Law Enforcement
Terry Skaggs	Clay City Police Dept.	C	M	Law Enforcement
Lee Reberger	Clay County Prosecutor	C	M	Judiciary
Rhonda Alstott	Coordinator	C	F	Faith Community/ Parent

Problem Identification

Problem Statement #1: There are significant issues created in the county due to the lack of a comprehensive needs assessment and the availability of data obtained from such an assignment.

Supportive Data:

- There was no systematic access to data in this county for assessment purposes.
- Lack of a comprehensive needs assessment has prohibited us from doing a thorough assessment and evaluation of our community needs on a large scale.
- Without knowing our needs, it is difficult to develop a realistic strategic plan with workable strategies.
- Difficulty in obtaining supportive data to substantiate our other three Problem Statements indicates that this need for a comprehensive needs assessment is great.
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Objectives:

- **Work on community roundtable group with St. Vincent-Clay Hospital in developing a survey tool to include ATOD data collection.**
- **Obtain prevalence data from the Clay Community School Systems IRPC Survey.**
- **Work with local law enforcement agencies to develop a systematic way of reporting ATOD-related data for the LCC.**
- **Work with the county judicial system/courts to develop a systematic way of reporting ATOD-related data to the LCC.**
- **Identify additional reporting entities including local medical providers in developing or utilizing existing ways of reporting ATOD-related data for the LCC.**
- **Initiative collaborative relationship with Indiana State University or Rose Hullman for data collection and analysis assistance.**
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Goals:

- **To collaborate with St. Vincent Clay Hospital and the Community Roundtable to help disseminate and publicize needs assessment survey being collected beginning June, 2006.**
- **To secure IPRC prevalence data from the Clay County Schools Systems by December, 2006.**
- **To develop a systematic way of reporting ATOD-related data from local law enforcement agencies to the LCC by March, 2007.**
- **To develop a systematic way of reporting ATOD-related data from the county judicial system/courts to the LCC by March, 2007.**
- **To establish collaborate initiative with local law enforcement and judicial systems with ISU/Rose Hullman for data collection and dissipation by March, 2007.**
- **To complete a Comprehensive Needs Assessment by December, 2007.**
- **To publicize information received in the Comprehensive Needs Assessment through county media outlets by June, 2008.**
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Problem Statement #2: There is an increasing problem with the manufacture, distribution and use of methamphetamine.

Supportive Data:

- Local county treatment center reports more adults are listing meth as their drug of choice or drug that they have used in addition to others.

- Possession of meth was reported as one of the 10 most prevailing charges for inmates processed at the county jail (73 in 2005). This offense is quickly catching the two most prevalent drug charges, OWI (117 in 2005) and Possession of marijuana (90 in 2005).
- Methamphetamine was the reported reason for overcrowding in the jail, which resulted in the construction of a new county justice center with larger capacity which opened in 2006.
- School officials report an increase in issues with students due to parental manufacturing and use of meth.
- A local treatment provider reported that 55%-60% of OFC abuse/neglect cases are related to substance abuse with 45% of those being meth.
- Local judge reports cases of meth are up, slowing the judicial process and trend of females using meth is quickly approaching the level of male use.
- Clay County had its largest meth bust this spring with local law enforcement arresting 25 persons on meth charges.
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Objectives:

- **Continue jail-based drug evaluations and jail-based counseling programs.**
- **Continue with one session of Red Ribbon Day at the courthouse (for 5th graders) being meth specific.**
- **Conduct 4 meth/drug prevention sessions in the community (2 general public and 2 specialized, i.e. medical professionals, landlords etc.)**
- **Conduct 1 meth specific convocation at the high school.**
- **Continue two-year rotation of "Meth Stake" program for fifth graders.**

- Explore faith based initiatives for those who are addicted to meth and their families.
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Goals:

- To increase awareness of county residents of the dangers of meth by 50% by December 2007 through community education sessions and media.
- To produce a methamphetamine-prevention publication for county-wide distribution by December 2006.
- To conduct 4 meth/drug prevention sessions at county schools by June 2007.
- To work with area churches to hold two prayer services by June 2007.
- To conduct 2 meth education programs targeting a specific population by June 2007 (i.e. dentists, landlords).

- To establish 1 support group for families and loved ones of those affected by meth addiction by December 31, 2006.
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Problem Statement #3: There is a substantial problem with youth using ATOD.

Supportive Data:

- During the 2005 calendar year, 80 new juvenile probation cases were added. Of those 80, 26 indicated their delinquent behavior was influenced by drug and or alcohol abuse.
- Hamilton Center reports their caseload for adolescents being served for ATOD issues is at an all time high.
- The school corporation reports the expulsion of 14 students for the 05/06 school year for ATOD offenses.

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Objectives:

- **Continue SADD chapters in school corporation.**
- **Continue Red Ribbon Week at all grade levels within the school corporation.**
- **Continue 5th graders annual "March to the Courthouse" during Red Ribbon Week.**
- **Institute "Meth Stake" program as a 2 year rotational program for county 5th graders.**
- **Continue to assist in the local promotion of the C.H.A.N.C.E.S. program through our county YMCA.**
- **Research viable anti-drug campaigns for the middle school level and collaborate with middle school administration about the use of such tools/programming at this level.**
- **Continue assistance and collaboration at the high school level through administration to help in anti ATOD education, convocations, etc.**
- **Assist in promoting the high school's new peer mentoring program.**
- **Continue promoting CHANCES mentoring children of promise program for children of incarcerated parents.**

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Goals:

- **To reduce the number of minor consumption violations by 1% annually, beginning June 2007.**
- **To decrease the percentage of youth using alcohol on a monthly basis by 1% annually, as reported in the IPRC Youth ATOD Survey.**
- **To decrease th number of youth drug offenders by 1% annually, beginning June 2007.**
- **Asses data from the comprehensive needs assessment to determine ATOD focus for youth.**
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Problem Statement #4: There is a substantial problem with adults using ATOD.

Supportive Data:

- Hamilton Center has reported increasing the following due to county's ATOD issues: (1) *Intensive outpatient groups have doubled. (2)*A second relapse prevention group will be added July 2006. (3)*An addition to the building was added because of the need for more drug and alcohol groups. (4)*7 out of their current 9 groups are drug/alcohol related. (5)*Another full time addictions counselor will be hired in July 2006, because of caseload growth.
- IPRC data indicates Clay County to have a higher than state average adult smoking rate (31%).
- Operating While Intoxicated was the #2 prevailing charge for processed inmates in the county for 2005. This was second to Probation violation which is also related to ATOD issues.
- A new County Justice Center was opened in 2006 to alleviate inmate overcrowding old jail, largely due to the counties alcohol/drug arrests.

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Objectives:

- **Collaborate with local law enforcement in regards to current trends and continue assisting agencies to combat issues.**
- **Continue jail-based drug/alcohol evaluations and counseling.**
- **Continue assistance to local treatment providers for treatment of indigent clients.**
- **Continue community drug education/prevention programing (as stated under problem statement #2).**
- **Continue support of judiciary's sentences that require long-range treatment for addictions.**
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Goals:

- **To reduce adult drug/alcohol offenses in the county 1% by December 2007.**
- **Assess data from the comprehensive needs assessment to determine ATOD focus for adults in Clay County.**
- **To see a reduction in the overall crime rate by 1% due to the relationship of ATOD to criminal activity.**
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Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!

Next Annual Update Due: June, 2007

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: June, 2009

Date of Community Consultant Review: July 10, 2006; financials received and reviewed July 17, 2006 due to Coordinator being out of town.

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The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

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Clay County Drug-Free Communities Fund 2005 Financial Information:

January 1, 2005 beginning balance: \$20,251.26

Fund Allocation is \$6000.00 per category.

Fund Allocation for each category's fund item is listed followed by actual expenditures as follows:

Prevention:

Northview High School SADD \$2500.00 (\$1921.35) SADD Programming
Clay City High School SADD \$1825.00 (\$1825.00) SADD Programming
Clay County Community Corrections \$980.00 (\$980.00) Urine Screens

Treatment:

Steve Sutherland \$3050.00 (\$4206.00) Court Related Evaluations
Hamilton Center \$2000.00 (\$0.00) Jail-Based Substance Abuse Counseling
Clay County Community Corrections \$980.00 (\$980.00) Urine Screens

Justice:

Clay City Police \$1895.00 (\$1920.00) Video Camera
Brazil Police \$1021.71 (\$1021.61) Sensitive Gloves for Drug Searches
Clay County Community Corrections \$980.00 (\$980.00) Urine Screens

Discretionary:

Coordinator's Salary \$3000.00 (\$3000.00)
Supplies/ Printing/Community Events \$3000.00 (\$1585.96)

\$24,000.00 was allocated for the calendar year and \$18,169.92 was actually spent as of 12/27/05.